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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

The Applicants herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks under 37 CFR § 1.136 to extend the time for response to the Office action dated 10/27/03 for one (1) month from 1/27/04 to 2/27/04. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account 08-3442 the fee due under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) of \$ 110.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be due in connection to this Petition to the above deposit account.

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